

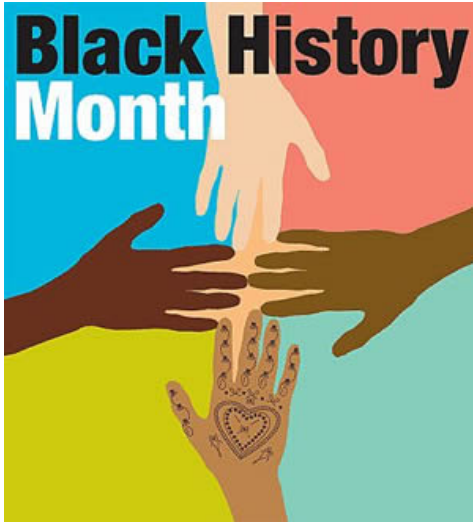
Black History Month

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<http://afroamhistory.about.com/od/blkhistorymonth/a/origins.htm>

We encourage you to learn more about Black history month by visiting the events section of "Diverse Utah" website www.diversity.hs.utah.gov . Events celebrating African-American culture and history will be posted for our DHS staff. You can also visit

<http://afroamhistory.about.com/>

to see what is going on around the country during this celebration.